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THE WASHINGTON AGREEMENTS

New Zealand Delegate's Views.

(Reuter's Service)

Wellington, August 17.

Reporting to Parliament on the Washington Conference, Sir John Salmond, who represented New Zealand at the Conference, said that the Washington agreements did not limit the weapons which States might fight, but merely limited the weapons which might be prepared in peace-time. Still less might the agreements be properly regarded as a step towards total naval disarmament. No impracticable idealism inspired the Conference agreements, which had no ethical significance. The right and duty of every State to provide for its national safety would remain undisputed and imperative.

FUNERAL OF LORD NORTHCLIFFE.

A Notable Congregation.

London, August 17.

The funeral service of Lord Northcliffe at Westminster Abbey drew a notable congregation from every branch of British public life. Brigadier-General Trotter represented the Prince of Wales. Others represented were the Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, the Embassies and Legations, the Dominions, and a strong contingent of leading figures connected with British and foreign newspaper activities. After an impressive service, the coffin was borne to St. Marylebone Cemetery, Finchley, for interment.

U.S. RAILWAY STRIKE.

President Harding Defers Intervention.

Washington, August 17.

President Harding has decided for the present to defer his address to Congress, feeling that every effort towards a settlement of the shopmen's strike should be exhausted before he intervenes. Presumably the President is thinking of the conference now in session at New York between the railway employers and the trade unions. Meanwhile President Harding is still working on the text of his address.

POSITION IN AUSTRIA.

Conference Decision Causes Further Drop in Currency.

Vienna, August 17.

The great disappointment and grave anxiety that have been caused in political and financial circles by the decision of the London conference to refer the Austrian application for further credits to the League of Nations are reflected in another big drop in the value of the crown, which now stands at 280,000 to the pound, representing an increase of 20 per cent. since August 1.

U.S. SOFT COAL STRIKE.

The Terms of Settlement.

New York, August 17.

The terms of the settlement of the soft coal strike provide for a continuance of the old wage scale till March 31st, 1923, the calling of a conference in October to fix the scale thereafter, and the appointment of a Commission, on which the Government will be represented, to inquire into the question of the reorganization of the industry on sound economic lines.

REPARATIONS COMMISSION CONFERRING.

Hopes of Arrangement Acceptable to all Allies.

Paris, August 17.

Delegates to the Reparations Commission are informally conferring with a view to reaching a settlement acceptable to all the Allies. A report of the proceedings is not expected. An official meeting is probable for to-morrow, pending the result of which the French Government will stay its hand.

THE FIGHTING IN IRELAND.

Further Notable Free State Successes.

London, August 17.

The Free Staters are steadily pressing back the Irregulars, having now freed Clifden, including the Marconi wireless station. They recaptured Dundalk last night, where the Irregulars have fallen back to the neighbouring mountains.

ANOTHER EXPEDITION TO TIBET.

Dr. Sven Hedin's Sixth.

Stockholm, August 17.

Dr. Sven Hedin is preparing for his sixth expedition to Tibet, which will start next year. He will be accompanied by a number of Swedish scientists. The explorer proposes entering via China. The expedition will last four years.

HUGE SWEDISH WIRELESS STATION.

Contract for the American Radio Corporation.

Stockholm, August 17.

Sweden has contracted with the American Radio Corporation to supply half a million dollars' worth of wireless equipment for a giant station that is being erected on the west coast of Sweden.

DUTCH EAST INDIES LOAN.

Amending Bill to Facilitate Issue Abroad.

Amsterdam, August 17.

A Bill has been introduced to amend the East Indies Loan Bill, which authorizes the issue of the balance of 119,000,000 guilders.

THE REGISTRATION BILL.

Not Originated by Government.

RESULT OF COMMITTEE'S PROPOSALS.

That the much-debated Registration of Persons Bill did not originate with the Government, but that it was the result of suggestions made by a Committee which included business men of the Colony, was the statement made by the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Acting Colonial Secretary, to a *Telegraph* representative, who called on him this morning to ascertain the origin of the measure.

Mr. Fletcher stated that after the strike, an Essential Services Committee was formed, comprising two members of the Government (Hon. Mr. Claud Severn and Hon. Mr. C. Mc. I. Messer), two unofficials (Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephens and Mr. G. T. Edkins), one representative of the Army and one representative of the Navy. That Committee made a series of recommendations of various kinds, amongst which was the principle of compulsion.

Then it is not right to suggest that the Government conceived the measure and was solely responsible for it? asked our representative.

Not by any means," replied Mr. Fletcher. "It was conceived by the Essential Services Committee, which recommended it to the Government, and as it was a representative Committee, the Government adopted the suggestions and considered that the information obtained would be extremely helpful in times of emergency."

Mr. Fletcher explained that during the last strike, the utmost difficulty was experienced by Mr. Stephen, in charge of labour arrangements at the City Hall, in dealing with people who came forward to offer their services, and it was found that it was extraordinarily hard, if not impossible, in a time of crisis to sort people out according to their qualifications. It was only by reason of one or two people offering to get others to assist them in making their own arrangements for dealing with certain matters that they did as well as they did.

The only new matter in the Bill, said Mr. Fletcher, was the compulsory calling for qualifications; the rest of the Bill was a re-enactment of the existing law regarding registration. When the Government saw that there was opposition to the Bill, it was perfectly willing to drop it, and, in any case, would have removed some of the more drastic provisions to which exception had been taken. The Government had no intention at any time to force the Bill on anybody, "and," said Mr. Fletcher, "it had not the slightest intention of introducing compulsory service."

TRAMCARS STONED.

Defendant to be Bitched.

Prosecuting on behalf of the Hong Kong Tramway Company, Mr. Macnamara, at the Police Court this morning, said he had instructions to ask Mr. J. J. O'Sullivan, the defendant in the case, to give an exemplary penalty as the offence with which the man was charged, i.e., throwing stones at a tramcar and breaking a window shutter, had become all too common in the Shaikwan district. It was not merely a matter of mischievous pranks on the part of juveniles, but they had even gone to the extent of stealing the side chains from the cars.

The defendant, in the case, who gave his age as 18 years but looked considerably older than that, said the stones he threw were directed at small boys who were committing the offence in question.

Mr. Lindsell pointed out that defendant had previously admitted breaking the shutter with a stone.

On being informed of the defendant's reply to the police as regards his age, his Worship refused to believe that the defendant was even 18. "I take it you are 16, instead of 18," his Worship told the defendant. The latter was beginning to look pleased, when the reason of the Magistrate's disagreement was made patent. "You will be sentenced to twelve strokes," continued his Worship, in explaining that boys of 16 and under were liable to corporal punishment, "and I hope it will hurt you."

PEKING NEWS.

President's Resignation in Abeyance.

A Peking telegram states that as there has been an insufficient quorum in both Houses of Parliament, the resignation which has been twice submitted by the President is still left in abeyance. Another Peking message says that in reply to a query from the Government, made as a result of a protest by the Diplomatic Corps, General Tsoi Sing-fan, has declared that the mutiny of soldiers at Kinkiang was caused through arrears of payment.

Asked what would now be done, Mr. Fletcher stated that the Government would probably make use of the Jury List to send round forms to the various business firms asking employees to indicate any particular qualifications; and whether they would be prepared to offer their services in case of emergency. In that way, they hoped to be able to compile a register which would be of use in times of crisis.

BEVAN BROUGHT BACK FROM VIENNA.

City Equitable Director to be Charged To-day.

London, August 17.

Gerard Bevan has reached London from Vienna, and will be brought up at the Guildhall to-morrow.

MAJOR BLAKE IN HOSPITAL.

Suffering from Appendicitis.

Calcutta, August 17.

The airman, Major Blake, has gone into hospital suffering from appendicitis.

INCREASE IN GERMAN RAILWAY RATES.

Result of Depreciation of the Mark.

Berlin, August 17.

As a result of the depreciation of the mark, railway rates are to be increased by 50 per cent. on September 1.

LORD LEE IN TURKEY.

Constantinople, August 17.

Lord Lee, First Lord of the Admiralty, has arrived here.

THE TELEPHONE QUESTION.

A Deadlock Reached.

The negotiations between the Government and the Telephone Company regarding a renewal of the latter's licence have reached a deadlock, we were informed by the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Acting Colonial Secretary, this morning.

Mr. Fletcher stated that there was as yet no indication of a possible compromise. He added that the report drawn up by the Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe, on behalf of the Committee of the two Chambers of Commerce, had now been presented and would be considered by the Executive Council in due course and possibly debated by the Legislative Council later. It was hoped soon to publish this report. There would, of course, said Mr. Fletcher, be no question of a new agreement being signed without referring the matter to the Chambers of Commerce, and he added that the Government had not in any way committed themselves with the Company.

WATER POLO.

Last Night's Games.

Of the two matches played at the V.R.C. in the Water Polo League last evening one produced a close game, while in the other the victors had matters all their own way. This is not surprising, seeing that the winners were the V.R.C. and that the irrepressible Busschaert was in prolific vein.

In the first match, which was between the Lusitano R.C. and the United, the Lusitanos were the first to score, Franco doing the trick. Before half-time Mason equalised. The second moiety was closely contested and the end was drawing on when Boteilo got one past the Lusitano custodian. The United thus won in a game that looked anybody's.

In the second match, the V.R.C. were opposed by the King's team. Right away Busschaert scored, and a couple of minutes later the Belgian international again banged the leather home. At half-time the V.R.C. led by five goals to nil, having had practically all the play. During the interval practice Busschaert smashed the ball into the goal with such force as to break the netting.

On resuming, the V.R.C. were again in the ascendant, and were not long in adding to their tally. The military contingent played up in persevering style, and eventually Parry got through with a good one. Before the close the V.R.C. scored again, which made them winners by 7-1.

Of the V.R.C. score, Busschaert credited himself with five goals, Watson and Stewart registering the others. Not only does the reliable Olympic Games player exhibit tremendous power, but, as a spectator observed, he has an uncanny knack of sending the ball where the goalkeeper isn't.

This evening, the L.R.C. and the King's play their postponed match.

\$5,300 SAVED BY DELAY.

An illustration of the decrease in building prices is afforded by the experience of Action Hospital Council, which has saved \$5,389 on a local war memorial scheme. In April 1921 the lowest of nine tenders for the memorial was \$22,787, but it was not accepted, and the work was postponed. On January 12 of this year, revised tenders were considered, and the lowest, sent in by the original contractor, was \$17,398. In the hope of getting still better terms, the council again postponed the scheme, and the same firm now offer to do the work for \$16,328. The firm also agreed to give the council the benefit of any further reduction in the cost of material and labour. This offer was accepted, and the work will be completed in time.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., was held in Queen's Building at noon to-day.

Mr. W. L. Pattenden presided and there were also present the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Messrs. G. M. Dodwell, G. M. Young (Directors), C. Montague Ede (General Manager), P. Lander, R. A. Dastur, L. F. Townsend, W. K. L. Shenton, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, W. R. Mansfield, J. W. Alabaster, P. M. Hodgson, B. M. C. da Cunha, V. L. de Almeida, V. R. V. Ribeiro, M. A. R. Souza, J. Gardner, A. B. Cobb, A. C. Hay, A. E. S. Alves and J. Bentley. The General Manager having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen: Your directors have had in mind for sometime and think it is desirable to bring the Society's Articles of Association up-to-date and to consolidate the various alterations and amendments that have from time to time taken place.

You will recollect that in 1917 the Society's Memorandum of Association was altered under which the scope of the objects of the Society were considerably enlarged.

The present Articles are dated 1909 and since that date, 13 years ago, several alterations and amendments have taken place in the Articles themselves, and in the requirements under the Companies Ordinance of this Colony rendering the present Articles of Association not only out-of-date, but in many cases inadequate.

The present Articles of Association have accordingly been drafted, re-worded and clarified, but the alterations do not invest the Society with further powers of any importance other than would be first subject to your approval or otherwise in Meeting, but renders the machinery for carrying out and exercising the powers it already has more effective.

The present Articles and the new Articles have been open to inspection to all shareholders at Head Office, as stated in the notice convening the meeting, since the 8th July, and all shareholders outside the Colony have been given notice of this meeting and of the resolution you have just heard read, with ample opportunity of inspecting the Articles at the Society's various branches and agencies, and, as your directors anticipated, no objections have been received.

With these remarks, I propose the following resolution:—That the new Articles already approved by the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Society to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

After this has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer any questions to the best of my ability. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton seconded and the resolution was carried.

British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.

At the conclusion of the above meeting an extraordinary general meeting of the British Traders' Insurance Company, Ltd., was held. Mr. W. L. Pattenden presided and, with the exception of Messrs. Shenton, Dowbiggin and Dastur, the same shareholders were present.

The General Manager having read the notice convening the meeting. The Chairman said—Gentlemen: As in the case of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., your directors considered it desirable to bring the Articles of Association of this Company up-to-date and have caused them to be redrawn embodying in effect the various amendments that have from time to time taken place and the altered Articles have been open to inspection to all shareholders at Head Office, as stated in the notice convening the meeting, since the 8th July, and all shareholders outside the Colony have been given notice of this meeting and of the resolution you have just heard read, with ample opportunity of inspecting the Articles at the Society's various branches and agencies, and, as your directors anticipated, no objections have been received.

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With these remarks, I propose the following resolution:—That the new Articles already approved by the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

After this has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer any questions to the best of my ability. Mr. da Cunha seconded and the resolution was passed.

China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Following the above meeting, an extraordinary general meeting of the China Fire Insurance Company, Ltd., was held. Mr. W. L. Pattenden presided and, with the names of Messrs. A. A. Alves, W. Gardner and F. H. Farris substituted for those of Messrs. Shenton, Dowbiggin, Dastur and Cobb, the shareholders present were the same as at the previous meeting. The General Manager having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen: The resolution you have just heard read and which I shall shortly propose is the result of your directors' desire not only to bring the Articles of Association of this Company into line with those of its allied Companies of Canton, Ltd., and the British Traders' Insurance Company, Ltd., but to bring them up-to-date.

The present Articles were drafted in 1914, and since then amendments have from time to time taken place as also in the Companies Ordinance of the Colony rendering it desirable that these Articles should be recast.

The present Articles and the new Articles have been open to inspection to all shareholders at Head Office, as stated in the notice convening the meeting, since the 8th July, and all shareholders outside the Colony have been given notice of this meeting and of the resolution you have just heard read, with ample opportunity of inspecting the Articles at the Society's various branches and agencies, and, as your directors anticipated, no objections have been received.

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After this has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer any questions to the best of my ability. Mr. A. C. Hay seconded and the resolution was carried.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

Watson's advertisement Dewar's Scotch Whisky.—Page 6.
Montrieux tell of the enjoyment given by a Victrola.—Page 5.
Dodwell and Co. advise consignees that the s.s. Tracia has arrived from Europe.—Page 5.
Consignees of cargo are advised that the Blue Funnel s.s. Hector is now unloading cargo.—Page 4.
Mee Ching advertisement Swatow typograph pictures.—Page 2.

LISTEN!

Truthful advertising sells goods to every soul.

"Luxury" is being shown at the Star Theatre this evening.—Page 12.
The Kowloon Theatre programme for tonight is advertised on page 12.
Miss Gibbs is to be seen at the Grand Theatre to-night.—Page 8 and 11.
The "Pamphlet Road" Games will be held to-morrow.—Page 12.

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THE SHANTUNG
COMMISSION.

Further Postponements.

Peking, August 17.—At the
fifteenth meeting of the first
section of the Sino-Japanese Com-
mission this morning the Com-
mission adopted with reservations
the report and recommendations
submitted by the Sub-Committee
on the Tsingtao Customs Houses.
The Chinese submitted three
memorandums concerning the
railway, telephone, cables and
post offices. After receiving the
Japanese reply the Commission
decided to refer them to the sub-
committee.The Japanese submitted inven-
tories and proposals concerning
mines. Discussion thereon was
postponed.—*Reuter*.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

Peking, August 17.—Wang
Chin-hsiang, special delegate sent
to Paoing and Loyang, re-
turned to Peking yesterday and
it is reported that he informed the
President that Wu Pei-fu desired
the appointment of Wang Chung-
hai as Premier as soon as pos-
sible.—*Reuter*.

DEMPSEY-BRENNAN

FIGHT.

Indianapolis, August 15.—Gov-
ernor McCray has instructed the
Sheriff of Laporte County to
refuse to permit the Dempsey-
Brennan fight on Labour Day.
The Governor will instruct the
Sheriff to prevent the fight if the
local officials fail to ban it.—
U. S. Radio.

KENNEDY TOWN

MURDER.

Police Court Proceedings.

The hearing was commenced at
the Magistrate yesterday afternoon
of a case in which Mak Wab was
charged with the murder of a native
carrier named Chan Sam at Ken-
nedy Town on May 21st, 1930.Outlining the case, Mr. T. M.
Hawling, Assistant Crown Solicitor,
who conducted the prosecution,
stated that the charge arose out
of the murder of the deceased who,
on May 21st, was engaged with
two others in carrying rattan from
a godown at 48, Kennedy Town
praya, to a junk lying against the
seawall across the road. The Crown
would call the other two men as
witnesses. At 12.30 p.m. the three
men were coming from the
godown, each with a bundle of
rattan on his shoulder. The de-
fendant had reached the side
channel from the pavement when
the defendant came up and stab-
bed him on the chest with a dagger.
According to the witnesses the
defendant was accompanied by two
men in yellow clothing, like the
Khaki uniforms worn by Sanitary
Board coolies. These men also
struck the deceased with their
blades. After the assault, the de-
fendant and his companions ran
away. The deceased collapsed
immediately and died in the arms
of one of the witnesses who picked
him up. He was carried into the
godown where, half an hour later,
Inspector Willis found him in a
pool of blood. There was only one
wound on the right side of the
chest. A search was made in
Hongkong and Kowloon for the
defendant, but without success.
He was not arrested until the 13th
July last, when he was found on
board the s.s. Kwangse.Mr. Hawling said that the de-
fendant was employed by the
Sanitary Department and had been
in their service for eight months
before the murder. On the 14th
May, 1930, he was granted three
weeks' leave on the ground that he
wished to attend to some family
affairs. Mr. Hawling said that
he could assign no reason for the
murder.The Assistant Crown Solicitor
said that Dr. Scott, who made the
post mortem examination, was
absent from the Colony and there-
fore he could not produce any medi-
cal evidence as to the nature of
the wound. He proposed to call a
mortuary attendant who did the
"butcher's work," who could give
the Court some information as to
the nature of the wound. Dr.
Valentine would remain in Court
to hear the evidence and would
later be asked to express an opinion
as to the cause of death.Li Ching, coolie, who was work-
ing with the deceased when the
latter met his death, said he was
following the dead man. The man
who stabbed the deceased was the
defendant, whom he had known for
eleven or twelve years.
After further evidence the case
was adjourned.

RAID ON FILIPINO CLUB.

Twelve Defendants
Acquitted.Because the Magistrate con-
sidered that Monte, the game
which the defendants were alleged
to have played, did not come with-
in the particular section under
which they were charged, the pro-
secution against twelve Filipinos
has failed. The case was heard by
Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday
afternoon, the defendants being M.
Ramos, H. Castro, Victor Antido,
V. Bantista, Juan Geronimo, P.
Antiguia, S. Alari, P. Sison, B.
Baldomero, V. Herrera, P. Birbat
and M. Consul. The charge against
the first two defendants was for
being keepers of a common gaming
house at 23 Ice House Street,
known as the Filipino Club, of
which Ramos is the Manager, while
the others were charged with gam-
bling. On the application of Ser-
geant Fender the first two defend-
ants were included in the charge
of gambling.Mr. J. M. Hall, defending, said
that before the case proceeded he
would like to raise a preliminary
objection, i.e. that the warrant was
issued for and mentioned 23 Ice
House Street, whereas the arrest
of the defendants was made at 24.
Mr. Hall submitted that the arrest
was unlawful. The Club had its
quarters at 24 Ice House Street.The Magistrate said he would
note the objection. If he decided
to convict, subject to Mr. Hall's
point, he would hear Mr. Hall's
submissions. His Worship added
that Mr. Hall had, of course, to
prove that the Club was registered
as being at 24 Ice House Street.Mr. Hall said that he could do
so.Sergeant Fender pointed out
that Baldomero had not appeared,
but had sent a representative to
the Court.Mr. Hall said that owing to busi-
ness exigencies Baldomero left by
the President Jefferson. Another
defendant was to have sailed by the
same ship and it not been for this
case.

The exercise was accepted.

Evidence was given by Sergeant
Fender that about 11.45 p.m. on
the 12th inst. he led a party of
Chinese detectives to raid the first
floor of 23 Ice House Street, called
the Filipino Club. The door being
opened he walked straight in and
stood behind the defendants, who
were collected round a table.
Four cards were laid out on the
table, on which was placed money,
a wax box and a saucer containing
\$1.70. The second defendant had
a pack of cards in his hand and
was sitting near where witness
stood. A short time afterwards
someone turned his head and
saw witness stood up. He and
all the other defendants were or-
dered to sit still. Witness seized
the gambling gear and the money
on the table, which amounted to
\$30.50, excluding the sum in the
saucer, and took all the defendants
to the Station. The game played
was Monte.Explaining to the Magistrate
how Monte was played, Sergeant
Fender stated that no commission
was taken unless a special card
turned up.Mr. Hall mentioned his point as
to the number of the Club in his
cross-examination and finally said
that the question could be decided
by viewing the premises later on.
Sergeant Fender said that it was a
corner house and had two entrances,
one of them at 26. He did not
know whether the other entrance
was 24.At the conclusion of the evidence
his Worship said that the game
Monte, as was described to him, did
not come within the meaning of
the section in respect of commission
and on that ground he dismissed
the charges. He would like to
point out to the President of the
Club, however, the undesirability
of using the premises for gambling.
It was on a technical point that he
discharged the defendants.Mr. Hall said that the President
never permitted gambling in the
Club. He had no knowledge that
gambling was going on that night.
The Magistrate ordered the
return of all the articles seized, and
the money, to the President of the
Club.

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BASEBALL.

Latest League Results.

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sults by wireless, per U.S.S.
Tracy:National League.—Philadelphia
10, Chicago 8; New York 2, Pitts-
burgh 6; Philadelphia 0, Cincinnati
3; Boston 0 and 8, Chicago 3 and 8;
American League.—Pittsburgh
1, St. Louis 6; Detroit 1, New
York 2 (10 innings); St. Louis 1
and 7, Washington 6 and 1; Cleve-
land 11 and 4, Philadelphia 4 and
7; Chicago 10, Boston 11.Philadelphia.—Tillie Walker, of
the Athletics, returned to the line-
up after ten days' absence, and hit
his 26th home run off Morton, of
Cleveland. He followed it with
his 27th in the second game of the
double header.New York, August 15.—Bob-
bitt reappeared in the line-up
after several days' absence owing
to an infection of the leg. He
got his 22nd home run against
Detroit.Milwaukee, August 15.—Ray
Cannon has announced that the
Baseball Players' Union, designed
to lift the players from a position
termed "pawns of Club owners" to
equal status with the Club
owners in matters affecting play-
ers, is nearing completion, and has
opened negotiations with the
American Federation of Labour.
Mr. Gompers is favourable.CHINA COAST
OFFICERS.

Latest Changes.

Mr. B. Stewart, from reserve,
has gone supply second officer,
Sunning.Mr. S. Johnson, from leave, has
gone supply chief officer, Chusan.Mr. N. O. Shute, second officer,
Kwangse, is on reserve.Mr. E. Pringent, second officer,
Kingyuan, has resigned.Mr. P. R. Cheetham, second
officer, Kalgan, has gone second
officer, Kingyuan.Mr. D. Wilson, second officer,
Taming, has gone second officer,
Kalgan.Mr. H. Henry, second officer,
Kweichow, is on reserve. Mr. A.
Mandell, from reserve, has gone
second officer, Kweichow.Mr. E. Dwyer, third engineer,
Wuhu, has gone third engineer,
Tatung.Mr. W. W. Brown, second
engineer, Szechuen, has gone
second engineer, Hunan. Mr.
J. R. Reed, second engineer, Hunan
is on leave.Mr. K. Logan, from reserve, has
gone second engineer, Szechuen.Mr. A. B. Bowler, third engineer,
Kiukiang, has gone third engineer,
Poyang.Mr. J. Turner has been appoint-
ed third engineer, Kiukiang.Mr. J. Gordon, third engineer,
Hsin Peking, has signed off.Mr. J. Clark, third engineer,
Kwangse, is on leave.Mr. W. L. Bloodworth, third
engineer, Tatung, has gone third
engineer, Soochow.Mr. P. Gallagher, third engineer,
Soochow, has gone third engineer,
Luenyi.Mr. G. Cheyne, third engineer,
Kaiping, has gone second engineer,
same ship.Mr. C. Reed, second engineer,
Kaiping, is on leave.Mr. R. H. Norton has been ap-
pointed third engineer, Kwangse.Mr. H. M. Rogers, from leave,
has gone second officer, Esang.Mr. F. S. Hollingshead, second
officer, Esang, has gone supply
second officer, Tuckwo.Captain C. Campbell, from re-
serve, has gone master, Tuckwo.Captain S. Findeison, of the
Tuckwo has gone master, Fausan.Captain W. Ryden of the Fa-
sang is on leave.Mr. C. F. Revett, from reserve
has gone second officer, Mingsang.Mr. E. T. Whicker, from leave
has gone supply second officer,
Taisang.Mr. J. Turbyne, third officer,
Hosang, has gone second officer,
Chaksang.Mr. R. J. J. Sneddon, second
officer, Chaksang, has gone acting
chief officer, same ship. Mr. H. A.
Houchen, chief officer, Chaksang,
is on reserve.Mr. L. H. Hutchings, from re-
serve, has gone acting chief officer,
Kwaisang. Mr. J. G. Davies, chief
officer, Kwaisang, is on leave.Mr. H. B. Dobson, from reserve
has gone second officer, Namsang.Mr. L. McRae, second officer, Nam-
sang, is on reserve.Mr. N. H. Bennett, from reserve,
has gone third officer, Chipping.Mr. J. A. Bunting, third officer,
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE REPARATIONS PROBLEM.

Paris, Aug. 17.

It has been semi-officially stated that if the Reparations Com-
mission meeting to-day granted Germany a moratorium without de-
manding guarantees, the French Cabinet would certainly not
recognise the decision. If the decision violated the spirit or the
letter of the Treaty by, for example, refusing to announce that Ger-
many has incontestably defaulted, the Cabinet, resuming freedom
of action, would on its own initiative apply to Germany the
measures of economic or financial control deemed necessary.

London, Aug. 17.

It is reported from Strasburg that the passport office at
Karlsruhe, as a reprisal for the expulsions of Germans from Alsace,
refused to visa 5,000 passports of Frenchmen desiring to enter
Germany. German Banks are refusing cheques from Alsace.

AMERICAN TARIFF BILL PASSED.

Washington, August 17.

The Senate has approved an amendment to the Tariff Bill
authorising the formation of free zones at American ports, where
crude materials can be converted for export without payment of
import duties. The Administration hopes to see the Tariff Bill
finally passed within six weeks.

New York, Aug. 17.

The Senate has passed the final stages of the Fordney-Mc-
Cumber Tariff Bill. At record speed hundreds of amendments
were disposed of in ten hours in blocks, the Senators often blindly
voting substantial increases of duties without discussion. A
storm was aroused among the Democrats by the Finance Com-
mittee suddenly introducing a hundred new amendments, many
relating to duties which it was tacitly understood would not be
changed, including a substantial increase in duties on cotton yarns.
The whole hundred were passed without discussion, amid indignant
protests from the Opposition.

PRINTERS' STRIKE SETTLED.

London, Aug. 17.

The printers' dispute, which has for so long disorganised the
provincial newspaper world, has been settled. An agreement was
signed at a conference, whereunder the Typographical Association
agreed to recommend the strikers to resume immediately, with a
recommendation for the acceptance of a gradual total reduction
of 12s. 6d. Wages will then be stabilised until 31st December.
The employers' organisations agree to recommend the reinstatement
of strikers to their former positions.

BOKHARA AND KHIVA.

Simla, Aug. 17.

The new Afghan Foreign Minister has made a statement that
the Afghan Government regards the disturbances in Bokhara as
internal disorders, wherein neither the Russian nor Afghan Gov-
ernments should interfere. It recalls the clause in the Russo-
Afghan Treaty agreeing to the actual independence of Bokhara
and Khiva and expresses confidence that Russo-Afghan relations
will be directed to the welfare and freedom of Bokhara and Khiva.

THE AMERICAN LABOUR TROUBLES.

Washington, Aug. 17.

President Harding will make a statement in Congress on the
labour situation to-day. He is expected to recommend legislation
legalising the present fuel control committees.

BOMB-DROPPING ACCIDENT.

Berlin, Aug. 17.

A Dantzig report says that at a bombdropping exhibition at
the Polish aerodrome at Putzig a bomb fell among the crowd of
spectators, killing 10 and injuring 50.Captain D. W. Ritchie of the
Mausang is on leave. Mr. M.
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AT THE **WORLD THEATRE.**

FINANCE MATTERS.

Yesterday's Votes.

Following the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday, the Colonial Secretary presided over the Finance Committee and explained the following votes, which were approved:
\$7,000 in aid of the vote Public Works, establishment, other charges, drawing materials and mounting plans.
The Chairman: The estimate was \$5,000, but an informal agreement of paper and material has been made and the price has gone up to \$7,000.
\$5,000 in aid of the following votes—Public Works, Extraordinary—Kowloon Miscellaneous, Chinese Cemeteries, laying out new areas, \$3,000; New Territories, Miscellaneous, Chinese Cemeteries, laying out new areas \$2,000.
The Chairman: The first vote is \$2,000 and the Town Planning Committee have recommended that partially all the cemeteries of Kowloon be situated in the ring of hills in the north of the city. The Chairman has also recommended that the cemetery at Kowloon City on the top of the hill should be removed by a part of the slope facing away on less valuable ground, and this vote is for preparing a new cemetery further inland.
\$25,000 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Hong Kong, waterworks, Hill District and High Levels of City, additional pumping plant at Pokfulam Road Station, engine house.
The Chairman: Last year \$10,000 was put provisionally in the Estimates because no definite estimate had then been drawn up. The work was proceeded with very much more than it was expected to cost, when completed, \$10,000, and we expect to spend \$25,000 this year. It was not known at the time that it would be possible to get on with it.
\$3,000 in aid of the vote Prison Department, special expenditure, steam launch.
The Chairman: The vote was \$2,000 and the lowest tender was \$3,000.
\$13,300 on account of Police Department, special expenditure, one launch to replace No. 7 police launch.
The Chairman: No. 7 launch went up for its annual overhaul and it was found to be in a very bad condition, completely worn out, especially the engine. We found we could sell the old engine for \$2,500, and we were offered a new small launch for \$10,800.
\$17,800 in aid of the following votes—Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, Water Works—Taipo Water Supply Scheme (not including resumption), \$7,300; Fanling Water Works Scheme, \$10,500.
The Chairman: The Taipo vote was \$12,000. It was decided to put in 4-inch instead of 3-inch pipes in order to cope with possible fires and future extension. At Fanling the sum voted was \$5,000, but it was decided to put in 3-inch instead of 2-inch pipes, and there are very large extensions to outlying houses.
\$623 in aid of the vote Harbour Master's Department, special expenditure, conversion of Green Island Light into Axa system.
The Chairman: The vote was \$5,200 and it cost this extra sum.
\$750 in aid of the vote Botanical and Forestry Department, other charges, forestry New Territories.
The Chairman: A very large number of small trees were blown over in the recent high winds, and considerable damage was done. This vote is for replanting.

HOW THE NORTHERN FIGHTING ENDED.

British Intermediaries.

A correspondent writes to the N. C. Daily News from Manchuria:
If the value of paper money is a test, then Chang Tso-lin's position beyond the Great Wall is as strong as ever. The paper dollars of Fengtien Province are known to depend on the prestige of our ruler, even though there is an actual silver reserve deposit of a considerable amount somewhere in Mukden. During the recent war, our paper dollars fell considerably in value, as compared with Mexican. But with the return of Marshal Chang to his capital, the exchange rose again. The war has in fact made no apparent difference in the stability of Manchurian dollar notes. Possibly the chaos in Peking may by contrast make the financial position in Mukden still stronger, unless Marshal Chang's ambition should again lead him too far.
There is no doubt that the Manchurian army is being overhauled and prepared for whatever may come. Compared with the Chihli troops, the reputation of the Fengtien men along the railway was good. On account of the severe discipline of the Fengtien army, looting was kept in check. After the return of the Commander-in-Chief to Mukden, it was said that, on account of their misconduct, officers were court-martialled and shot right and left. In the city, after the defeat at the front became known, it was touch and go. The officers of the local garrison were on the verge of losing control of their men. A few days more without effective handling from above, and pandemonium might have reigned throughout the capital.
THE ARMCHAIR CRITIC.
It is easy for an editor, sitting comfortably in a foreign concession in Tientsin, to theorize about the ideal method of getting rid of the "ex-bandid," as a certain British newspaper politely calls Marshal Chang. The crime of the ruler of Manchuria was flagrant. The facts speak for themselves, without the need of a bias, which, to say the least, is lacking in dignity.
Take for example, the attitude of this particular newspaper towards the two foreigners, who, at considerable personal risk, succeeded in bringing about the negotiations for peace. Yet instead of being proud to honour the gentlemen who stepped into the breach and led the way to stopping the slaughter, this British editor with his *idea* can only speak of "foreign busy-bodies," even hinting that their "unofficial" interference had something to do with the heavy casualties immediately preceding the armistice at Shanhaikuan! It was well known that the Chinese did not dare to mediate, or were not in a position to do so. Foreign ministers forbade their consuls to intervene. Foreign business men naturally followed the example of their officials. Since Wu Pei-fu had plainly said he did not propose to pursue the Fengtien troops into Manchuria, and Chang Tso-lin was holding on to gain some sort of "face" before giving up the struggle, all that was needed was an honourable way out of the mess. Here, if anywhere, was a job for men who, like missionaries, are not bound hand and foot by red tape.

THREE TERRIBLE JOURNEYS.

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Mr. Platt was willing to make the attempt at the desire of his friend, the Commander-in-Chief's son. Dr. W. A. Young, the senior British doctor of Mukden Medical College and Hospital, was asked and agreed to accompany the peace-makers.
Three strenuous journeys were made between Mukden and the front, each time along with General Chang Hsueh-liang. Of set purpose, no written document was obtained from Chang Tso-lin in Mukden. The business of the two foreign intermediaries was understood by themselves to be solely to bring both sides together, not to offer or receive terms. And it was no easy task, for the military chiefs at Shanhaikuan, believing their army to be then in a favourable entrenched position, were unwilling to conclude an armistice. They positively refused to permit the Commander-in-Chief's son to cross the lines for parley in the enemy's camp.
Then, on a later visit after the first had failed, the trip from Shanhaikuan to Chinwangtao and back had to be made in a Chinese junk over a stormy sea in the dead of the night. Fighting had been resumed.
At last, during the third visit, their perseverance was rewarded. The Chihli and the Fengtien representatives actually came together for a meeting. For the first successful result, no small portion of the credit is due to the Captain of H.M.S. Carlew, where the peace terms were arranged.

MURDER AND LEGAL INSANITY?

The Lord Chancellor Appoints Committee.

The Ronald True case has had its anticipated sequel.
It is announced that the Lord Chancellor has appointed a Committee to consider and report upon what changes, if any, are desirable in the existing law, practice, and procedure relating to criminal trials in which the plea of insanity as a defence is raised.
It is also proposed to inquire whether any, and if so, what changes should be made in the existing law and practice in respect of cases falling within the provisions of Section 2, Sub-section 4, of the Criminal Lunatics Act, 1884 (the section under which the case of Ronald True was dealt with).
The members of the Committee will be:
Lord Justice Atkin (a Lord Justice of Appeal), chairman.
Sir Ernest Pollock (Attorney-General).
Sir Leslie Scott (Solicitor-General).
Sir Herbert Stephen (Clerk of Assize, Northern Circuit).
Sir Richard Muir (Senior Treasury Counsel).
Sir Archibald Bodkin (Director of Public Prosecutions).
Sir Edward Troup (Permanent Under Secretary of State for the Home Office).
Sir Ernie Blackwell (Legal Assistant Under Secretary of State Home Office).

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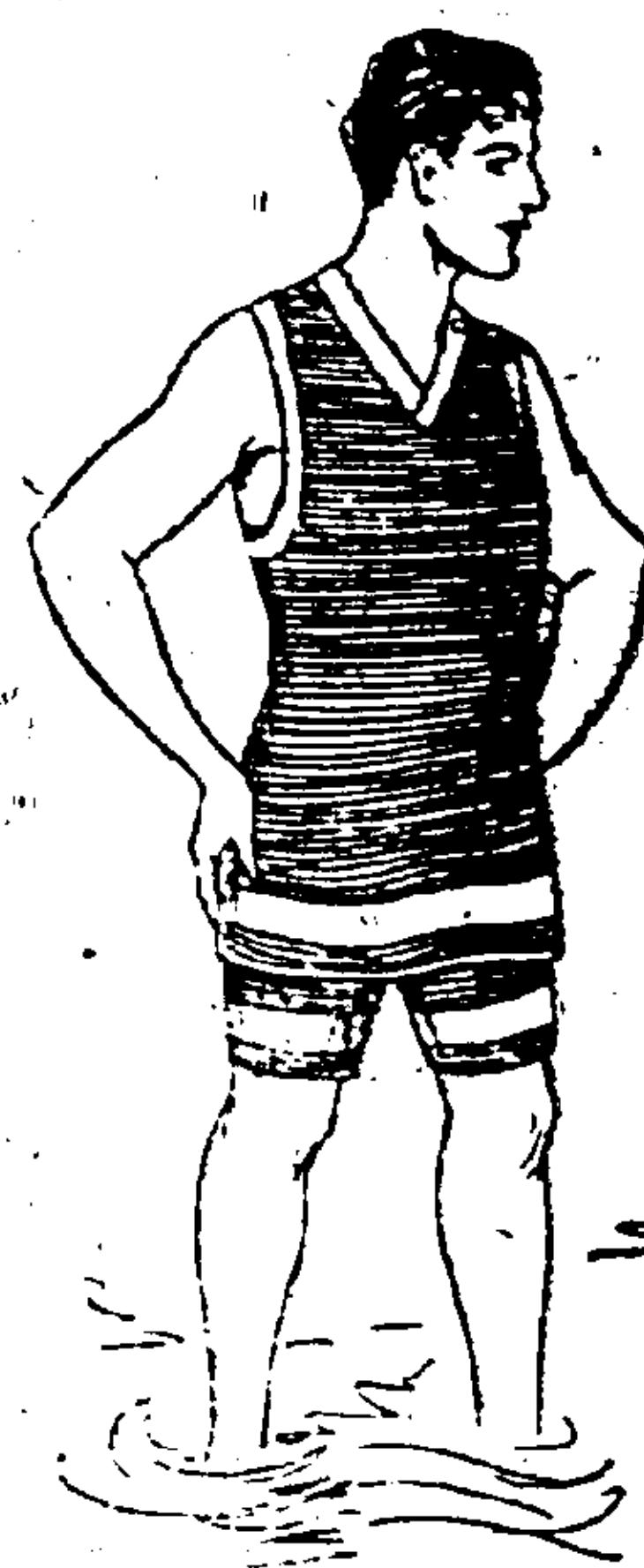
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Mr. M. A. Baptista and family beg to tender their sincerest thanks to their numerous friends for their kind expression of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement and also for the floral tributes received.

DEATH.

ROCHA.—Mrs. Modesta Graca Rocha, aged 51 years, at 9 Garden Road. Funeral will pass the monument at 5.15 p.m. to-morrow.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 18th August, 1922.

AN ABANDONED
MEASURE.

To our way of thinking, the outstanding feature of the withdrawal of the Registration of Persons Bill is the definite proof contained in that act that the Government of this Colony is susceptible to "outside" opinion. By acting as it did, the Government showed that it had no desire to force a "possibly unpalatable Ordinance on anyone. There is another point that should be stressed. It is that this particular Bill, for originating which the Government has been so harshly criticised, was in reality not the sole work of officialdom at all. It was the outcome of recommendations made by a Committee which included unofficial public men who approved the compulsory principle.

Our own attitude on the Bill is easy to explain. Before official assurances were given that the Bill would not be used for conscriptive purposes, we feared its possibilities. We also objected to certain wide and unnecessary powers that it contained. But, with safeguards against the operation of the Bill in the manner indicated, and a removal of its more objectionable features, we saw no real harm in the proposed law. We still think that those who set their faces against it in toto were influenced by the fear that conscription would follow. Without compulsory registration we foresaw difficulties, which we still perceive, of the suggested register being kept up-to-date, and a register without that recommendation would be of little value when it came to be used.

We fear there has been a deal of loose and exaggerated talk about the filling up of the sug-

gested registration form amounting to a surrender of individual liberty. The motive (preparedness for possible emergencies) has been rather obscured and the authorities accused of ulterior objects. During the last strike, the Government was greatly blamed for having no scheme ready beforehand; when it produced the beginnings of one, the critics did their level best to damn it. Assuredly it is a difficult task to govern Hongkong. Still, the authorities have now abandoned their scheme in deference to the opinions of others. We only hope that the public will respond to such procedure as the Government may now adopt to secure necessary information on voluntary lines.

"Three-Piece Coolie."

Probably a good many of our readers wending their way along Ice House Street towards the Ferry at this time have had their progress disturbed by the "hee-hee-ing" of a trio of ricksha coolies who unite in propelling a Chinese-owned vehicle at top speed through the somewhat narrow section of that thoroughfare which runs from Queen's Road to Des Voeux Road. Besides being on the narrow side, that portion of Ice House Street is invariably crowded, and especially so at that time of day. There is no separate footpath, and, if there were, pedestrians would still be compelled to use the roadway, owing to their number. Despite this, the afore-mentioned ricksha, with its vociferous attendants, accelerates rather than modifies its speed as it enters the street referred to. The young Chinese gentleman who reposes in the vehicle evidently enjoys the spectacle of all and sundry making way for his equipage. Is there any justification for the additional "pullers" (or pushers) along a perfectly level stretch? Perhaps the owner will consider the question of giving the supernumeraries a rest at such times. Their position practically at right-angles to the ricksha enlarges the space occupied by this gallant turn-out to something like 50 per cent. of the total width of the thoroughfare, increasing the inconvenience occasioned by the abnormal speed. It is certainly time this ricksha owner understood that the road is intended for general use and not for his special behoof. If there be more than one such vehicle, obviously the remark applies all round.

A Shanghai Conference.

According to a wireless message picked up by a United States warship, representatives of President Li Yuan-hung, Wu Pui-fu, and Chang Tso-lin are attending a conference at Shanghai, with Dr. Sun Yat-sen. There is also a representative of Hsu Shou-chang, perhaps ex-President Hsu, notwithstanding his announcement that he has gone out of the political business. The purpose of the conference is stated to be "to effect peace and unity." Good—or, rather, it sounds too good. Is Dr. Sun, then, negotiating with Peking after all his protestations against the illegality of the Northern procedure? Over a hundred Kuomintang members of Parliament are still in Shanghai, and apparently still support Dr. Sun. A round-table conference is what has been needed all along. The point that arises is why Dr. Sun could not have assented before instead of embroiling Canton in intestine warfare. We heard a day or two ago that Peking had made renewed overtures to the southern ex-"President" since his arrival at Shanghai. Apparently the report is true, and, what is more, the parties have got together with unusual quickness, assuming that the conference is not a fabrication. In one sense the gathering appears to be a fairly representative one, considering that the President and the southern ex-"President," the Loyalist war chief, and the "Uncrowned King of Manchuria," who is rearing his head as high as ever, have sent delegates. There are Chan King-ming and Lu Yung-hsiang, the Yangtze leader, to be remembered, however—Tsao Kwan is presumably represented jointly with Wu. In regard to Chan King-ming, perhaps the present conference is a preliminary one to settle conditions that would be acceptable to him. Now that these leading interests appear to have foregathered, will they endeavour to go straight to the heart of the problem, or is it only to be more jockeying?

DAY BY DAY.

BE CAREFUL WHERE YOU PUT YOUR CONFIDENCE AND YOU WON'T LOSE IT.

There was one non-fatal case of plague (Chinese) notified yesterday.

There will be a cinema show at the Craigflower Club to-morrow night at 9.15. Friends are invited.

There was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday a coolie who was injured in a fall into the hold of the str. Hing Yuen, whilst unloading cargo.

To-morrow's picture page in the Hongkong Telegraph will be completely filled by pictures showing the enormous damage done by the typhoon at Swatow. There are some striking illustrations of the effects of the storm.

A curious story of how a woman was drugged and robbed by thieves has been related by the victim to the police. It is stated by the woman, who lives at No. 11 Temple Street, that whilst aboard the Aberdeen ferry launch Tongon yesterday an attempt was made by two men to persuade her into playing a game of cards. Disappointed in this direction one of them took out a cigarette, lighted it, and puffed the smoke directly in her face. Some drug must have been in the cigarette for she felt faint immediately. When her senses returned to her she discovered that the men had disappeared and could not be found in spite of a search.

FATTY ARBUCKLE.

San Francisco, August 15.—Fatty Arbuckle sailed for Japan on the Siberia Maru. He says he will remain in the Orient several weeks, and then go to Paris.—U. S. Radio.

SWATOW DISASTER.

Funds Still Swelling.

The public subscription fund opened by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce now stands as follows:—
Already acknowledged. \$68,503
Hongkong Share Brokers' Association. 1,000
Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij. 500
Messrs. T. Hiraoka Bros. 100
Seitaro Mori, Esq. (Canton). 50
\$70,153

Singapore's Sympathy.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Singapore, August 18.
At a meeting of Chinese held at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, it was decided to open a Swatow Relief Fund. \$27,570 was contributed on the spot, headed by Mr. Leow Chie-heng who gave \$10,000.

Tung Wah Hospital List.

The Chairman and Committee of the Tung Wah Hospital and the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce acknowledged the following:—
Already acknowledged. \$37,738.50
Kwong Sic Society, Kuala Lumpur. 500.00
Bank of East Asia Ltd. 500.00
Mr. Pun Yung-to. 500.00
Ip Yung Pak Co. 200.00
Members of Kan Shu-tong. 202.00
Mr. Ho Tak-sang. 200.00
Mr. Kiu Fu-hau. 215.00
Mr. Liu Wal-chau. 200.00
Mr. Lau. 100.00
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Mr. E. J. Leveque, Vancouver, B.C. 100.00
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Wai Tak Bank. 100.00
Mr. Wu Pui-chi. 118.50
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THE BIG LONDON JOURNALISTS.

A Worthy and Creditable Body.

The following article, contributed to an American journal by a London journalist, was published some weeks ago—before the death of Lord Northcliffe:—

The noisiest event of the week, if not the most important, has been the attack upon the owners of the London newspapers by Lord Northcliffe. The newspapers of London, says Northcliffe, are owned by millionaires who are not journalists.

These millionaires, who consist of nine men and one woman, he insists, are using the London newspapers as mere toys for the furtherance of their own schemes and ideas, or for their own amusement.

Northcliffe is a fighter. He would sooner attack than conserve. He is as independent as Robinson Crusoe. He is responsible to no one.

At the moment, he is attacking Japan, Lloyd George, the Bolsheviks and his fellow journalists.

He is waging a furious war of circulation. He has added 70,000 a day to the circulation of the Times and 40,000 a day to the circulation of the Daily Mail.

This has been done mainly at enormous cost, by offering free insurance. The Daily Mail alone has paid over \$500,000 of free insurance to its readers in the last six months.

The undebatable fact is that Northcliffe has become, like Lloyd George, an arbitrary dictator rather than a journalist. He is intolerant of opposition.

He is to-day the James Gordon Bennett or Joseph Pulitzer of England. He rules his great news-gathering mechanism with the ruthlessness of an Oriental despot. He hires and fires furiously. He hurls himself at anything that he dislikes.

At any moment, his ablest editor may be made to walk the plank, and any office boy may find himself in a place of authority.

He has just returned from a 50,000-mile trip around the world; and he is giving full vent to all his likes and dislikes. Such is the freedom of the press as interpreted by Northcliffe.

As to the ten millionaires who have presumed to compete with him, they are in general people of high character and patriotic aims. Their names are as follows:—

Lord Cowdray.—He is England's greatest contractor. He is as well known in New York as in London. He is 66 years old and until he was raised to the Peerage in 1916, he was known as Sir Westman D. Pearson. He owns the Westminster Gazette and is pouring out money like water to make it a powerful liberal newspaper.

Sir John Leigh.—He is a newcomer, having come to London from Lancashire three years ago. He is only 38. His father was a cotton king and left him \$700,000. He bought the Pall Mall Gazette—an evening paper which became famous under the editorship of W. T. Stead and Lord Morley.

Lord Burnham.—He has been in public life for 37 years. He is a "first-nighter"—a man who is universally trusted and liked. He is a familiar figure at dinners and social events. If there were a contest as to who is the most popular Londoner, he would be a likely winner. He owns the Telegraph.

H. T. Cadbury.—He is in many respects one of the noblest figures in England. He is more than 80 years of age, yet he is still in control of the Cadbury plant, with 9,000 employees. He stands as the model employer of England, having established the ideal town of Bournville. He is a Quaker—a Liberal—an enemy of war. He owns two daily papers in London—the Daily News and the Star.

Sir Edward Hulton.—He is the son of a Manchester printer, known mainly as an owner of race-horses. He is little known in London, but he had been Lord Mayor of Manchester. He owns a string of daily papers, including the Evening Standard of London. This is a very ably edited and reliable paper, run without sensationalism of any sort.

Lord Inverforth.—He is better known as Andrew Weir, of Glasgow. Few men in Britain have as great a reputation as he, for sheer business ability and hard sense. He gave strong support to the government during the war and he is now giving his full time

CANTON NEWS.

General Chan to Return to Waichow.

Our Canton correspondent states that at a general meeting of military officers held at White Cloud Hill, General Chan King-ming, who was in the chair, definitely refused to assume the Civil Governorship. He also declared that he would give up his military offices and return to Waichow.

Our correspondent adds that a gunboat, with a few officials aboard bearing an official letter, has gone to Tong Kar village to escort Tang Shao-yi to Canton.

It is reported that General Chan King-ming has agreed to render military assistance to Sun Hunsung to return to Kwangsi for the purpose of restoring order there.

In consequence of reports that Yunan troops numbering about 4,000 strong, commanded by General Li Lieh-chun, are being pressed back by the Kiangsi forces and are now quartered along Ting Nam and Lung Nam districts on the southern border of Kiangsi, General Chan King-ming has ordered the second regiment of the 1st Division to proceed to the Wo Ping district to prevent any encroachments on Kwangtung Province.

Although General Ngai Bong-ping has tendered his resignation as commander of the Third Division of the Cantonese troops, his resignation has not been accepted by his superior officers, says the Canton Times. He now strongly recommends that Brigade Commander Chen Chang Fu be appointed to the post vacated by him. Further he has issued a notification to the various commanders of the Cantonese troops and the general public to the effect that during his service in the Government for the last few years he has always attempted to do his best in order that benefits might be rendered to the general public. He regrets very much the recent dispute and that peace between both sides cannot be brought about, though he has done his utmost. However, he is glad to notice that the fighting has ceased. He can now be released from all official duties and responsibilities. As he is about to take a trip to Japan, he hopes on his return in the near future that he will be able to see the principle of republicanism actually carried out.

to the solution of the problems of finance and world trade. He owns the Daily Chronicle.

Sir William E. Berry. He was little known before the war, but is now one of the topmost figures in English journalism. He controls the Sunday Times, the Financial Times, the Daily Graphic, Kelly's Directories, and Cassell's. He is a man of high character and many friends. He has hitherto lived quietly and taken no part in public life.

Lord Rothermere. He is a brother of Lord Northcliffe and is credited with having the best financial ability of the family. He, too, is opposing Lloyd George, but not in any sensational way. He owns the Daily Mirror.

Lord Beaverbrook.—This ex-Canadian, formerly known as Max Aitken of Toronto, is outting quite a dash in London journalism. He bought the Daily Express, and by running in on Northcliffe's lines, he has given it a large circulation.

Countess Bathurst. Last but not least, comes a remarkable personality—Countess Bathurst. Even Northcliffe cannot resist saying that she is "the most powerful woman in England without exception." She is beautiful and talented. She owns the Morning Post and writes her own editorials. She is a Conservative rampant. She has intelligence and courage and is universally esteemed. She inherited the Post from her father, Baron Glenesk.

Such are the people who, together with Northcliffe, may be called the "Big Eleven" of London journalism. To these might possibly be added Lady Astor, who controls the Sunday Observer.

Taking them all in all, they are as worthy and creditable as the newspaper proprietors of any other great city. There seems to be no reason for Northcliffe's sudden attack upon them, except the reason that he cannot tolerate equals and competitors.

RUPEE EXCHANGE.
A proposal has been submitted to the General Purposes Committee of the Stock Exchange to fix the exchange value of the rupee at sixteen pence for dealings in rupee securities. Nothing has yet been decided.

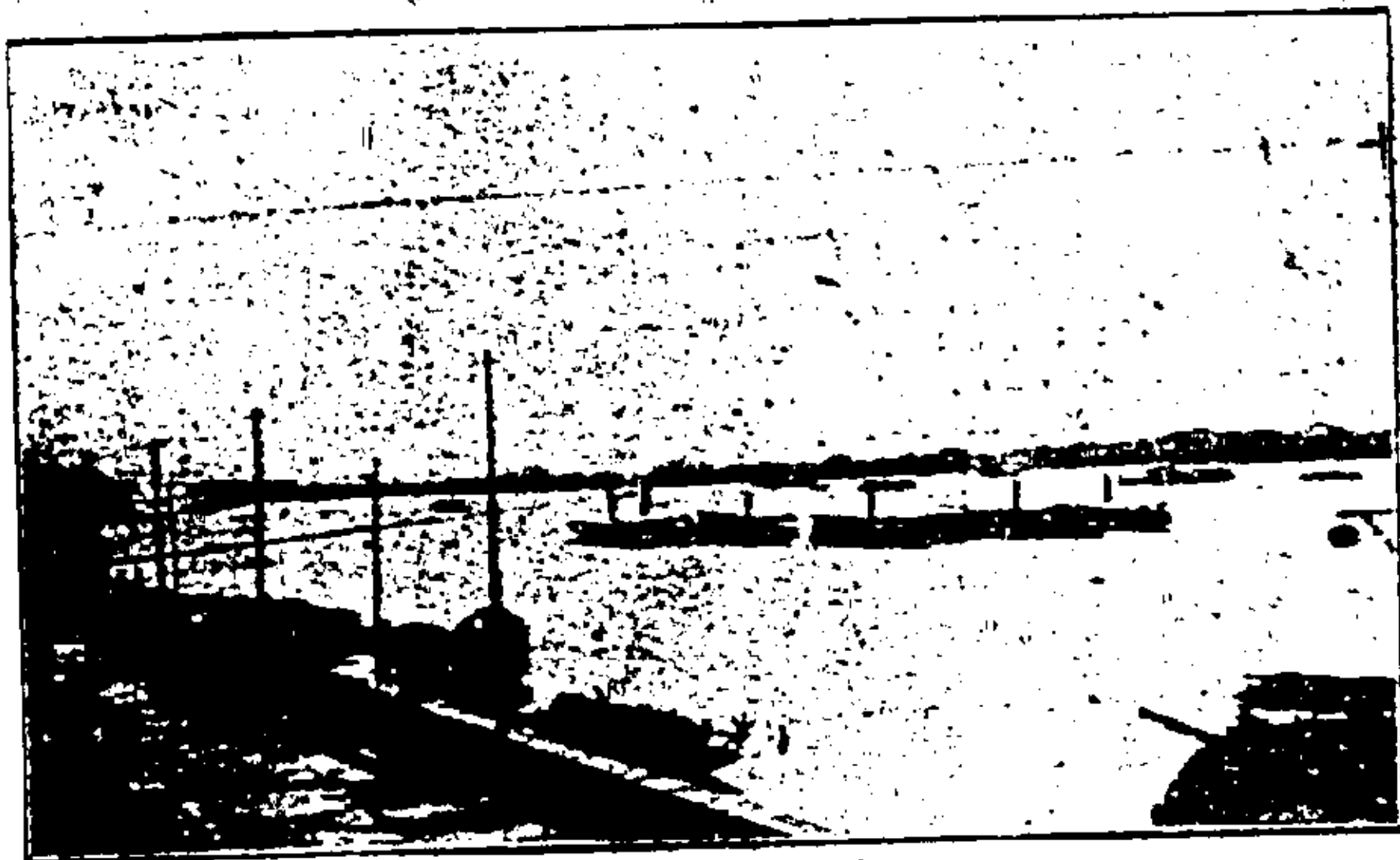
TOPICAL PICTURES.



Photo: Mee Cheung.

Funds for Swatow

Above is seen Tsang Foo, Hon. President of the Chung Sing Benevolent Society, heading a Hongkong street procession which raised \$7,067.37 in aid of the Swatow Relief Fund.



Bombardment of Kongmoon.

Picture shows Sun-Yat-sen's fleet of small boats, which bombarded Kongmoon on July 14th, lying off the bund at Pakkai. At the moment the picture was taken, the gunboat Kwongcheu, faintly discernible on the extreme left, was firing a 4.9 shell, into the city three miles distant.

MILITARY SPORT.

"King's" Cricket and Football.

On Saturday last, the Band and Drums played "D" Company in the Company Football League. An excellent game resulted in a draw, off 1 goal each.

On Tuesday, "A" Company played "B" Company in a League match. "A" Company won by 4 goals to 2. The best Company League match was played on Thursday evening between "D" Company and Machine Gun Platoon. An excellent game was witnessed and although the Gunners won by 6 goals to 1 "D" Company had a good share of the game and certainly deserved more than one goal. This win puts the Gunners at the top of the Company League.

On Monday, a friendly match, Band and Drums against H.M.S. "Tamar," was played. The sailors were a goal behind at half time but in the second half they improved and won by 3-1.

Cricket.

The results of matches in the Cricket League competition are as under:—

"B" Company beat "C" Company by 29 runs. Scores:—"B" Coy. 84; "C" Coy. 55. M. G. Platoon beat "D" Company by 34 runs. Scores:—"M. G. Platoon, 97; "D" Coy. 63.

A cricket match between "D" Company and 94 Company R.G.A. has been arranged to take place on Murray Parade Ground at 4 p.m. on Monday next.

PAPERS STOLEN FROM AN EMBASSY.

Russians Arrested by Paris Detectives.

Several Russians were arrested in Paris, following mysterious thefts of documents from the Rue Grenelle, and the Constituent Ruse, at Passy.

Two Russians, said to have been implicated in the thefts, are reported to have committed suicide.

Another rumour says that two of the Russians arrested will be charged with the murder of two of their confederates.

Early in the morning a squad of the Paris detective force visited a hotel in the Rue Guisard, where a young Russian was arrested. Other hotels were visited during the afternoon.

U. S. BURDEN OF TAXATION

"The Marne of Finance."

It is more than ever unlikely that the Ship-Subsidy Bill will be passed at this session of Congress, writes the Times Washington correspondent under date the 7th ult. When the President returns to Washington to-day he will be told by the Senate leaders that political reasons make the enactment of the Tariff and Soldiers' Bonus Bills imperative, and that time will be lacking for consideration by the Upper House of the situation of the merchant marine—the more so since opposition to the subsidy clauses of the Bill and the complication introduced by the amendment prohibiting the sale of liquor on American ships would inevitably protract the debate.

There are even some Republicans who doubt the wisdom of the passage of the Soldiers' Bonus Bill at this time. Mr. Harding has said he would veto it unless the measure itself means for raising the necessary revenues were provided, and he has suggested the imposition of a sales tax. This is extremely repugnant to Congress, and the alternative suggestion is now made that initial cash payments amounting to, say, \$75,000,000 [nominally twenty-five million sterling] should be made from current revenues, reliance then being had on the receipt of interest on Allied war debts, and notably on the British payment due in October, to meet subsequent demands. Only by deliberately ignoring the advice of the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Mellon, could he at present accept this suggestion, and this he is unlikely to do. So the possibility of a conflict between him and Congress on the eve of the election, with all that this would involve as affecting the issue at the polls, is added to the perturbations of the politicians.

Senator Borah, of Idaho, struck into a speech of great power and ability. There was not, he said, a single item on the legislative programme which did not increase the taxes of the United States, and he referred specially to the soldiers' bonus, the ship subsidy, the proposal to create twenty-four new Federal Judges, the suggested loan of five million dollars to Liberia, and all this "at a time when the people of the United States are

absolutely without money to initiate new enterprises and when the great reclamation projects of the West are standing as they have stood for the last seven or eight years."

"The time will come," he said solemnly, "when the United States will have to stand, as it were, at the Marne on this question of preserving financial civilization. The time may come when our reserves, economic and financial, will have to be called upon as our reserve of man power was called upon in 1917. The nation which will lead in future, which will control and dominate, will not be a nation of armies, not a nation of navies, but a nation of economic power, of prosperity at home, of financial reserves."

AN ERA OF SUBSIDIES.

He spoke not only of the staggering volume of expenditure contemplated by legislation, but of its character. "Even in this comparatively new land of ours we have already reached the era of embargoes, subsidies, gratuities and bonuses," and the nation whose citizenship has thus been "drugged and debauched" has entered upon a road over which no nation has ever yet beat a successful retreat. "Is there any doubt, he asked, that there is a political revolution on in this country? 'We may not feel it in all its effects here in Washington, but it has reached us here. The people are resentful of the fact that promises to lift their burdens have not been kept. Business are actually borrowing money to pay their taxes. I have examined lists in ten of the great agricultural States, and find thousands of farms for sale for taxes.' And it was when such conditions confronted the country that Congress proposed to lay upon it additional burdens amounting to nobody knew how many billions."

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WITHDRAWAL FROM MANCHURIA

The Japanese Plans.

The Japanese garrisons on special duty in Manchuria are to be withdrawn before the end of October, this year, leaving behind only one division of regular soldiers now stationed on the mainland, according to a decision reported to have been arrived at by the Government.

In view of the surrounding conditions, the Japanese Government has decided to use the army hereafter altogether for national defence alone, and to withdraw troops stationed in neighbouring countries for the purpose of assisting in economic and financial developments. In accordance with that policy, 1. battalion of the garrison in Hankow and the garrison in Tsingtao have been withdrawn, and again the troops stationed in Siberia are to be withdrawn in the autumn, while the two divisions stationed in the Maritime Provinces are to be withdrawn before the end of October. The troops stationed near Harbin and Pyranichniya and the 1 regiment of so-called garrison along the southern section of the Chinese Eastern Railway are also to be withdrawn before October 31. At the same time, 6 battalions of the special garrison in Manchuria, who were sent from each of the divisions in Japan for the special purpose of guarding the S.M.R., will be withdrawn.

The following is the distribution of the 6 independent garrison battalions in Manchuria.

The headquarters of the garrison stationed at Kunchuling, under command of Major-General Takasaka.

First Battalion of infantry stationed at Kunchuling.

Second at Kaiyuan.

Third at Fengtien.

Fourth at Lienshanwan.

Fifth at Tashichiao.

Sixth at Wafangtien.

The foregoing battalions are larger in personnel than those in Japan. Some of them include artillerymen and engineers, constituting a mixed brigade. The officers and men are accorded special allowances. When they are withdrawn, a large amount of savings can be realised, thus serving the cause of army limitation.

15TH. DIVISION TO STAY.

After the withdrawal of these special garrisons, the 15th. Division of regular soldiers will remain stationed, in number sufficient to protect the railways in emergencies. They may be reinforced, if necessary, by the police force of the Kwangtung Government-General.

The garrisons were stationed in Manchuria by virtue of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty between Russia and Japan and also the supplementary treaty between China and Japan. The conditions in Manchuria to-day are different from those of the time of the Portsmouth Treaty. The improved conditions in Manchuria, to-day, require no special garrisons being stationed there.

From that consideration, it was thought proper to withdraw the special garrisons. Lieutenant-General Yamashita, War Minister, is reported to have been strongly advocating the step. He is in favour of reforming the army system based on national defence alone.

Prime Minister, while having

army reduction, has thought it politic, also, to have the special garrisons in Manchuria withdrawn for diplomatic as well as financial reasons.—Osaka Mainichi.

ECONOMY AT COURT OF JAPAN.

Retinues of Noble Ladies Reduced.

Tokyo, July 28. The Prince Regent is now setting the pace in the much needed turn towards general economy and thrift, taking advantage of his approaching marriage to the Princess Nazako, which important event will take place this autumn. Not only has he given orders that the expenses of the wedding are to be kept down to the lowest limits compatible with the dignity of the Throne, but he has also notified the Minister of the Imperial Household, Viscount Makino, to re-arrange the message of the Imperial Court so as to eliminate more than half the number of titled ladies in attendance on the Empress and on his consort, thus materially reducing the expense of the upkeep of the Court.

At the present time there are 18 titled ladies from the noblest families of the land on the Palace pay-roll, with 30 others of Court rank, selected from households of distinguished men and from families of high Shinto priests in the more important national shrines, while each of these ladies has from four to eight women servants of her own. To these must be added the general maid servants of the members of the Imperial Family themselves.

Each Court lady draws a salary of from four to five thousand yen a month, which is another reason for having fewer of them in these days of hard times, when every Japanese, from Emperor to coolie, should economize. Orders have gone out, therefore, to reduce the number of Court ladies from 40 to six. The very difficult task of selecting who shall stay and who shall go is delegated to Baron Omori and Count Chinda, the two chief attendants upon the Empress and the Prince Regent, respectively. At the same time, a few ladies to attend the bride of the Prince Regent are to be selected.

This selection will not only smash another heavy precedent of Court life but prove another step on the way towards democracy. The personal attendants of the young bride who is some day to be the Empress of Japan are not to be necessarily of noble birth, but are to be chosen from amongst the wives of diplomats and educators, with the object of making a wholly new atmosphere in the most exclusive circle in the world, that within the Imperial palace of Japan.

EMIGRANT COMES BACK WITH 24 SONS.

Italy's labour market is now confronted with the problem of finding employment for an astonishing family brought back from Brazil by an Italian peasant named Salvatore Galpatti. Galpatti emigrated to Brazil 20 years ago, and has now returned from San Paulo with his second wife and a family of 24, all sons, whom the oldest is 40 years of age and the youngest 4 days.

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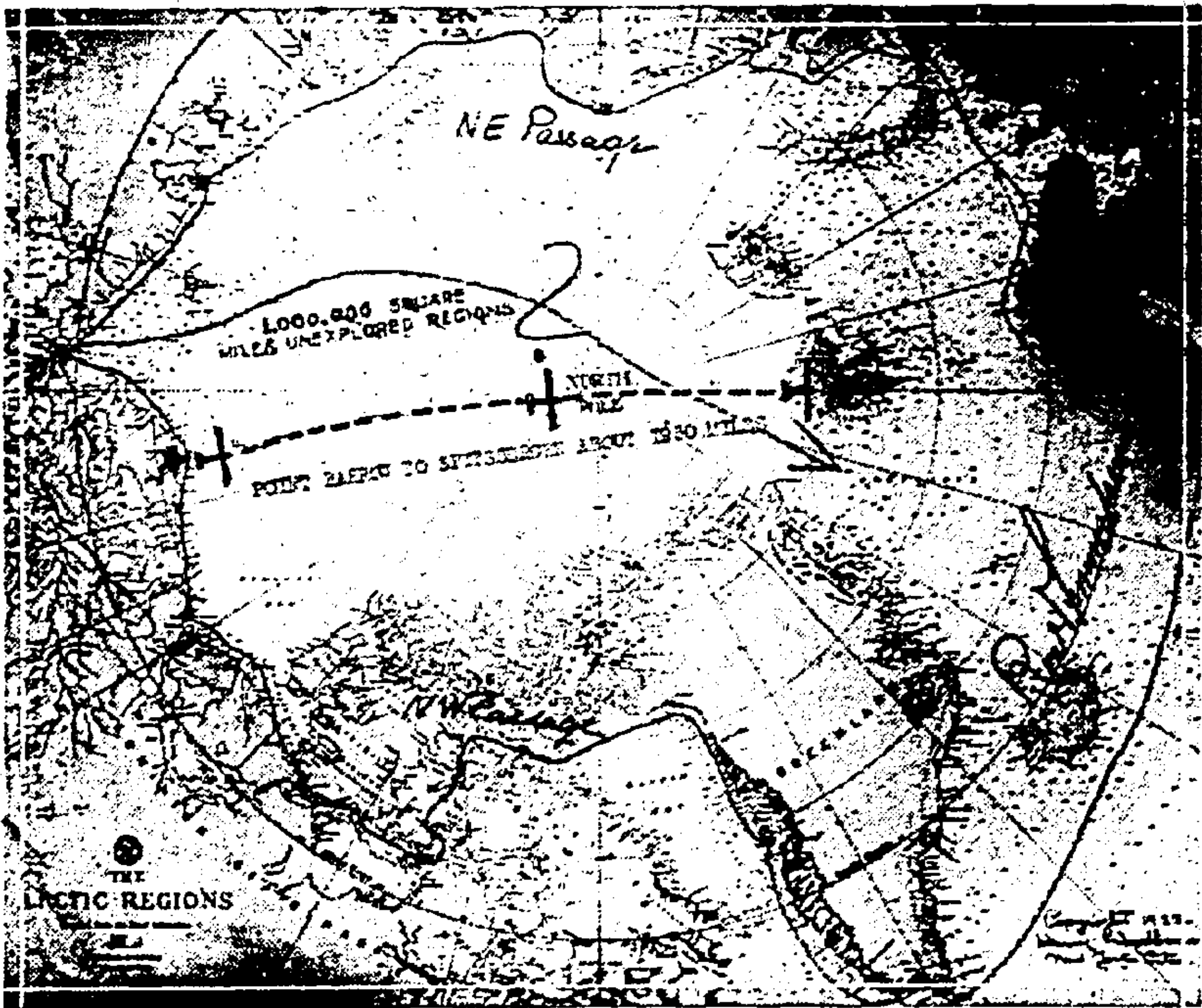
Another striking picture of Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen, the French wonder, who beat Mrs. Molla Bjurstedt Mallory, at Wimbledon, in straight sets 6-2, 6-0 for the Women's Tennis Championship of the World.



Dr. Hansel Von Haimhausen, who has been appointed to direct foreign affairs for the German Government. Dr. Von Haimhausen formerly was Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs.



Chicago bathing beauties rebel strenuously over the decree banning one-piece bathing suits from the public beaches. The combined efforts of the police department, park police and special bathing beach police were enlisted to enforce the ordinance. The picture above shows two who insisted they were within their rights and were arrested in a beach raid. Resistance proved vain.



Autographed Map showing the route which will be followed by Captain Raold Amundsen, Norwegian, in his flight of 2,000 miles across the Arctic ice.



A bird's eye view of the battleground at Cliftonville, West Virginia, where seven were killed and many injured in a fight between mine strike sympathizers and deputy sheriffs.



Following the mine battle at Cliftonville, West Virginia, in which seven men were killed and many injured, 48 men were rounded up and arrested by deputy sheriffs. This picture shows prisoners en route to jail.

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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

MINIMUM PRICE FOR COAL?

At a demonstration of miners

of Dean Forest coalfields, at

Cinderford, a resolution was

adopted calling for an increase of

wages, and requesting coal owners

to fix a minimum price for fuel.

COTTON BOURSE FOR GHENT.

The municipal authorities at

Ghent hope shortly to open a

cotton bourse in the town so as

to encourage agents to ship

direct to Ghent. At present the

port can warehouse 264,000 bales

of cotton. A number of vessels

have already arrived from the

north of America.

CLOTH FACTORIES BUSY.

A welcome demand for cloths

for next winter is being made

upon Yorkshire and South of

Scotland mills. Full hours have

been resumed for the first time

for over two years. London

merchant houses, having disposed

of stocks, are now hurrying to

take advantage of manufacturers'

prices, which, with the view of

enticing back trade, have been

quoted, it is declared, at barely

the cost of manufacture. Hosiery

factories are also active, as

wholesale houses fear a scarcity

of supplies in August when winter

deliveries are due. Scotch

makers of fine shirtings are also

sharing substantially in the textile

revival.

THE CHINESE EASTERN

RAILWAY.

It is stated that the Chinese

Eastern Railway is now in debt

to the extent of Yen 13,000,000.

In 1920 Mr. H. Nagao, then a

member of the Inter Allied

Technical Board, proposed to

raise a loan for the Railway but

Shipping to Europe, Australia, and other Ports.

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S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
SICILIA	6,702	19 Aug. noon	Spain, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
JEYPORE	6,580	29th Aug.	Spain, P'ang C'bo & B'bay
DEVANHA	8,092	30th Aug.	M'les, London & Antwerp
NOVARA	6,830	13th Sept.	M'les, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,000	27th Sept.	B'bay, M'les, L'don, Antwerp
KALYAN	5,900	11th Oct.	M'les, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

TANDA	6,856	19 Aug. 3 p.m.	C'bo via Spore & Penang.
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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

EASTERN	4,000	31st Aug.	Manila, Thurs. Island, Cairns, Trille, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
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 The P. & O. & E. A. Lines are represented by Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co. Agents.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

TORILLA	5,205	27th Aug.	Japan
KALYAN	9,000	28th Aug.	Shanghai & Japan.

Cargo only.
 All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
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OUTWARDS.

Vessel.	Due Hongkong.
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S.S. GLENARIFFE	30th August.
S.S. GLENAMOEY	30th September.
S.S. GLENODLE	4th October.

HOMEWARDS.

Vessel.	Leaves Hongkong.	Discharges.
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S.S. GLENSHANE	28th Aug. G.O.A. L'DON, A'WERR, R'DAM, H'BURG.
S.S. GLENLUCE	2nd Sept. G.O.A. L'DON, A'WERR, R'DAM, H'BURG.
S.S. PEMBROKE	24th Sept. L'DON, A'WERR, R'DAM, H'BURG.

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Steamer	From	Expected on or about	Will leave on or about	To
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Tjikembang	Java	18th Aug.	21st Aug.	Batavia
Tjisalak	Java	18th Aug.	21st Aug.	S'hai, Yokohama
Tjipanas	Java	18th Aug.	21st Aug.	Makassar, S'hai

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KAGA MARU (Calling Keelung) Saturday, 19th Aug. at 11 a.m.
 IYO MARU (Nagasaki direct) Sat. 16th Sept. at 11 a.m.

MARSHALLS, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, etc.
 KAMO MARU ... Saturday, 19th Aug. at noon.

KATORI MARU ... Friday, 1st Sept. at 11 a.m.
 IAMBURG via LONDON, ROTTERDAM.

LIMA MARU ... Friday, 8th September.
 LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & GLASGOW.

BENGAL MARU ... Thursday, 7th September.
 SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, etc.

TANBO MARU ... 19th Sept. at 11 a.m.
 YOSHINO MARU ... Tuesday, 17th Oct. at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK VIA PANAMA.
 LYONS MARU ... Middle of September.

NEW YORK via Suez.
 RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Cape.

OMHAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
 WAKASA MARU ... Friday, 25th August.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
 OSAKA MARU ... Friday, 18th Aug.

NAOASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
 TANGO MARU ... Friday, 18th Aug. at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
 TOYOHASHI MARU ... Saturday, 19th August.

TOKA MARU ... Thursday, 24th August.
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Steamer.	Sailing.	City of Sydney	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
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City of Manchester	28th Aug.	Marseilles, L'don, Antwerp & H'burg
City of Florence	6th Sept.	London, Antwerp, R'dam & Hamburg

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Destination	Steamer	Sailing
STRAITS & Calcutta	Laisang	Sat. 19th Aug. at 3 p.m.
T'AO via S'tow & S'hai Fausang	Tues.	22nd Aug. at noon.
BANGKOK via Swatow Chaksang	Tues.	22nd Aug. at noon.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow Leesang	Wed.	23rd Aug. at d'light.
T'AO via S'tow & S'hai Hopsang	Thurs.	24th Aug. at noon.
T'AO via S'tow & S'hai Kwongsang	Tues.	29th Aug. at noon.
KOBE	Wed.	30th Aug. at noon.
SANDAKAN	Tues.	5th Sept. at noon.

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For	Steamers.	To Sail.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	Suiyang	19th Aug. at 4 p.m.
AMOI, M'LA, CEBU, ILO ILO	Tan	19th Aug. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Soochow	20th Aug. at 4 p.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	Kwangtung	20th Aug. at 4 p.m.
H'HOW, P'HOI, H'PHONG	Kailong	22nd Aug. at d'light.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Kanchow	22nd Aug. at 4 p.m.
W'WEI, TIENTSIN	Huichow	22nd Aug. at 4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Kailang	22nd Aug. at 4 p.m.
AMOI, SHAI & TSINGTAO	Sinkiang	24th Aug. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Yingchow	25th Aug. at 4 p.m.

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Haifong	W. C. Parmore	FRI. 25th Aug. at 1 p.m.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

GERMANY TO BUILD SHIPS FOR FRANCE.

A report from Hamburg states that the Ship Committee of the Reparations Commission is now negotiating with Germany in connection with the compulsory delivery of new tonnage to France under the terms of the Treaty of Versailles, and that it has been arranged that the Weser Shipbuilding Company, of Bremen, shall build one vessel of 14,000 gross tons, at a cost of 8,500,000 gold marks, and that another ship of 10,000 tons, shall be constructed by the Tecklenburg Shipbuilding and Engineering Company, of Bremen, at a cost of 6,000,000 gold marks.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Notice is given that, on or about the 1st September 1922, the existing Howki Island Light will be discontinued and the installing of a new lighting apparatus will be commenced. During the time that these alterations are being made, two provisional lights will be exhibited from the gallery of the Lighthouse, one being on the north side and one on the south side of the tower. These provisional lights will each show a flashing white light every 10 seconds, thus:—Light, 1 second; Eclipse, 9 seconds, and will be so arranged that one or the other of the lights will be visible all round, in clear weather, for a distance of about 10 miles. The installation of the new light will be completed during December 1922, due notice of which will be given. The new light, when exhibited, will show one flash every 20 seconds.

THE UPPER YANGTZE.

A correspondent at Ichang writes: Another illustration of the over-supply of tonnage on the Ichang-Chungking run is the fact that the str. Fook-Yuen, flying the French flag, was in port 12 days, waiting for cargo. She only left this morning for Chungking with a full cargo. Some of the other ships would have to spend about as long, but the Standard Oil Co. is rushing case-oil to the west, and many of them fill up with that when there is not sufficient general cargo offering. The Alice Dollar has now come up from Shanghai, and has made her first trip for this year to Chungking. She was held up at Shanghai waiting for the settlement of a Customs difficulty. Messrs. Jardine's new boat, the Fuhwo, is expected to arrive any day, and there will be 14 large steamers on the run, and also one steamer run by each of the two oil companies.

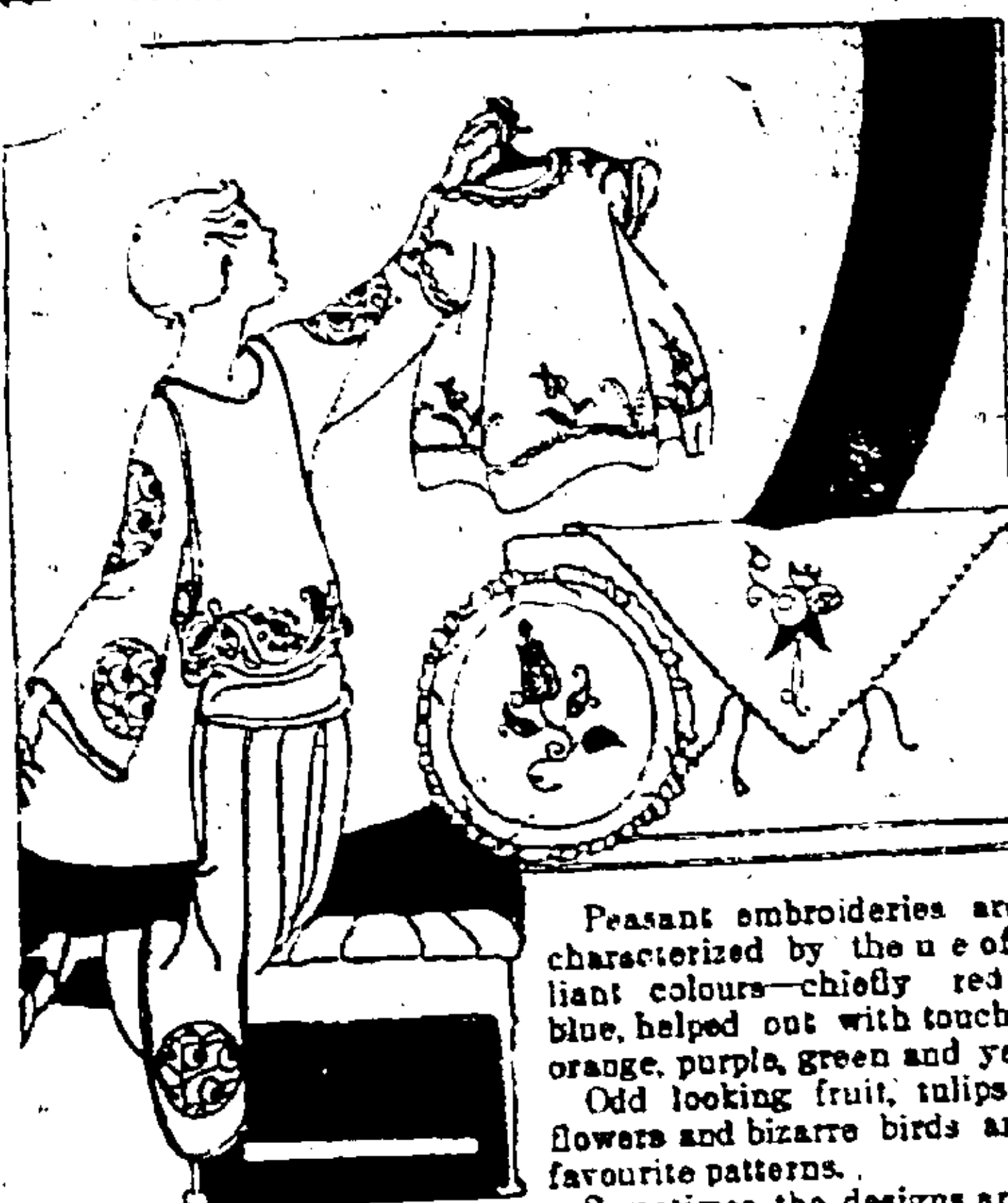
THE CORK HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT SCHEME.

The chairman of Cork Harbour Board recently visited Harbowlane Dockyard in company with Mr. Collins, Minister of Finance, Irish Provincial Government, and Mr. Crowley, technical adviser, for the purpose of inspecting the premises and works carried on there with a view to affording information to Mr. Collins for the future Irish policy towards the dockyard. In connection with the inspection the scheme for the development of Cork Harbour was also discussed. It was intimated by Mr. Collins that the Irish Government proposed to get the opinion of the best engineering skill on his scheme outlined by Mr. Nicholson, of Seattle, U.S.A., who has reported to the Cork Harbour Board on a plan of proposed development, which involves a large outlay. It is understood that eventually any scheme decided upon would require legislation to carry it out.

THE U.S. SHIP SUBSIDY BILL.

A Washington correspondent writes: In prominent Republican Senatorial circles there is a marked disposition to induce the President to consent to a postponement of further discussion of the Ship Subsidy Bill until next session, which begins in December. The merits of the bill are not considered. It is simply a question of expediency. The Democrats have openly announced that they intend to fight it. There are known to be many Republicans who consider the measure of doubtful wisdom, and, as the Tariff Bill, according to the best calculations, cannot become law until September, the Republicans fear that if the Ship Subsidy Bill is then taken up Congress will be compelled to remain in session for at least another month after the passage of the Tariff Bill. To expedite the adjournment the Republican Senators hope that Mr. Harding may be induced to fall in with their plans, but he has been so insistent upon the passage of the bill, which he regards as a measure of the first importance, that they are not sure that he will give his consent to the delay.

PEASANT EMBROIDERIES



Peasant embroideries are all characterized by the use of brilliant colours—chiefly red and blue, helped out with touches of orange, purple, green and yellow. Odd looking fruit, tulips bell flowers and bizarre birds are the favourite patterns. Sometimes the designs are embroidered, but more often they are applied to a garment in some strongly contrasting colour.

BRITISH TAX PROBLEMS.

Extortion and Evasion.

An experienced tax collector has just made an estimate that the British Government lost last year by reason of income tax, more than £10,000,000.

Because of this estimate, which has been made by a collector who has been in the business for many years, the Government is pushing forward the new Finance Bill which is in fact a stronger net for tax-payers. The Bill will give the tax collector more power to search for evaders and to punish them.

Taxation has become almost unbearable, says a correspondent. No people but the English would endure it. Taxation has increased in the last few years and is now almost unbearable.

I myself paid 75 per cent. of my income in taxation last year, said Lord Burnham recently, and some of my friends are paying 90 per cent.

Many are actually paying more than their income, because of the three years average, which is taken as the basis of payment.

The Peer who owns 47,000 acres, told me that he paid 125 per cent. of last year's income in taxes. He is now living in a small corner of a 60-room house, with only four servants and with his gardens leased to a local farmer.

All told, the Inland Revenue Department collected £700,000,000 last year. A host of 10,000 tax collectors gouged all this money out of a sorely distressed nation, at the close of an exhausting war.

The total amount taken by the government in all ways, by rates and taxes, was fully £1,200,000,000. Such a self-pollution has never been known in history, and no one knows what its final result will be.

The wonder is that so little has been lost by arrears and evasion, as the amount of both would amount to less than 10% of the total sum collected.

There are so many urgent reasons for evasion. There is the high cost of living—the depression in trade—the wastefulness of the government—the general impression that evasion is being widely practised.

Above all, there is the reason that the income tax law itself is vague and complicated. As Lord Wrenbury has said, "no censurer could be too strong for having expressed an act, and that a taxing act, in language so involved, so slovenly, and so unintelligible as is the language of the acts of 1842 and 1853."

No one clearly understands the income tax law. Text-books on it are sold on the news-stands. It is a dark, dark mystery, out of which accountants and lawyers reap large profits.

Few tax-payers can make out their own income tax forms. I tried to do so once, but soon gave it up. Now I pay an accountant £25 a year to fill out my forms. On the whole it pays to do this, as the tax collector is so apt to demand too much. Only once in

eight years have I had a bill from the tax collector which was correct.

Consequently, when confronted with a vague law, enforced by zealous bureaucrats, it is not to be wondered at that tax-payers give themselves the benefit of any doubt.

The process of tax-collecting in England has become a duel. On the one side, the collector tries to collect too much, and on the other side, the tax-payers try to pay too little.

In theory, the people of England are taxed by law, but in fact they are taxed by four commissioners of taxation, who interpret and enforce the law.

Frequently, the tax collector demands the payment of taxes not due. They make threats. One collector, who was for a time notorious in London, had his office decorated with newspaper clippings giving accounts of the conviction and imprisonment of tax-dodgers.

Many tax commissioners conduct inquiries. They put citizens through the third degree. They haze and harry men who are entirely honest and reliable. All this has created a profound feeling of resentment, which will presently be shaped into action, by the amendment of the tax laws.

As a matter of fact, there are right and wrong methods of evading income tax in England. The Earl of Plymouth, for instance, has recently organized his estates into a limited company. By doing this he has reduced his taxes from £70,000 a year to £15,000. This is legal and legitimate.

Other ways, not legal, are the keeping of two sets of books—the juggling with stock figures—the transaction of business without records and the charging of personal purchases to company expenses.

The penalty for tax-dodging is fairly severe. The culprit is fined three times the amount of his evaded tax, or imprisoned for not more than two years, or both. For aiding and abetting, there is a fine of £50.

On the whole, the tax commissioners have not been quick to throw delinquents into court. Public opinion would not permit this. No one has been punished who confessed to any evasions.

The worst tax-dodgers, in all parts of Britain, have been the wage-workers. On one occasion 30,000 warrants were served on Welsh coal-miners, for non-payment of income tax.

A very strong and aggressive organization has recently been formed, called the "Income Tax-payers' Society." It has 50,000 members and Lord Decies is at the head of it.

Its aim is to have the income tax law rewritten, in clear language, and to protect people from extortion.

Last week, this society recovered £20 for a taxi-driver, £80 for a grocer, £200 for a manufacturer and £500 for a landlord.

EXCHANGE.

(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 11.)

SELLING.	
T/T Demand	2/6 3/4
30 d/s	2/6 1/4
4 m/s	2/7
T/T Shanghai	Nom.
T/T Singapore	110 1/2
T/T Japan	120
T/T India	197
Demand, India	—
T/T San Francisco	57 1/2
& New York	57 1/2
T/T Java	149
T/T Manila	Nom.
T/T France	7.25
Demand, Paris	—

BUYING.

1 m/s L/C	27 3/4
1 m/s D/P	27 3/4
3 m/s L/C	27 3/4
30 d/s Sydney and Melbourne	2/8 1/4
30 d/s San Francisco & New York	59
4 m/s Marks	Nom.
1 m/s France	7.60
1 m/s France	7.70
Demand, Germany	—
Demand, New York	57 3/4
T/T Bombay	196 1/4
Demand, Bombay	—
T/T Calcutta	196 1/4
Demand, Calcutta	120
30 d/s Yokohama	115 1/2
Demand, Manila	110 1/2
Demand, Singapore	110 1/2
Demand, Batavia	149
30 d/s Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	—
On Bangkok	81 1/4
Sovereign	7.65
Gold leaf per Tael	34 1/2
Ray Silver, ready	34 1/2
forward	34 1/2
Bank of England rates 3%	—
New York/London	44 1/2

SUBSIDIARY COIN.

Hongkong 50 ct. pieces	par
10 "	11 1/2 pm.
5 "	3 1/2 pm.
Canton sub. coin	19 1/2 dis.

Hongkong, August 18, 1922.

WEATHER REPORT.

Aug. 18, 12.50 pm. Wind from N. by N. E. 12 to 15 m.p.h. Sea calm. Bar 30.00. Therm. 81° F. Humidity 75%.

Aug. 18, 11.50 am. Pressure has decreased considerably at Vladivostok, moderately over N.E. Japan, and slightly in central districts.

The Japanese anticyclone is moving eastward. At 6 a.m. this morning the typhoon appeared to be about Lat. 21° N. and Long. 125° E. moving northward, though doubtful observation from Naha marks the position uncertain.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.03 inch. Total since January 1st, 43.90 inches, against an average of 60.65 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
Formosa Channel	N.W. winds moderate.
South coast of N. or H.K. & Lamoocks	variable moderate.
Hongkong	to fair.
Gap Rock	—
South coast of E. winds.	China between moderate.
H.K. & Hainan.	—

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
H.K. Observatory, Aug. 18, 1922

TIME SIGNALS.

The time ball on Kowloon Signal Hill is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. only.

The ball is hoisted half mast at the 55th minute and full mast at the 5th minute. Should the ball fail to drop at the correct time, it will be lowered at five minutes past the hour and the ordinary routine repeated at the following hour, if possible.

Should the time ball be out of order the above routine will be carried out with flag "Z," on the storm signal mast.

Time signals are also given at night by means of three white lamps mounted vertically on the Observatory wireless mast. From 8.55 pm. to 9.05 pm. the lamps are extinguished momentarily at the even seconds except at the 2nd, 28th, 50th, 32nd, and 54th of each minute.

The hours refer to Hongkong Standard Time (8 hours of mean Greenwich).

HOTELS.

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RIVER LEVELS.

As a guide to shipmasters and others interested in the water levels of the river we have been requested by the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung to publish the following table of water levels. The levels are taken at 10 a.m. each day.

Place of Observation	Highest W. L. ever recorded	Lowest W. L. ever recorded	W. L. Aug. 16, 1922	W. L. Aug. 17, 1922
Wachow, West River	+9.50	-2.42	47.80	9.90
Kongmoon, "	+14.70	-0.80	10.40	11.00
Linkongchow, North "	+17.00	0	9.00	11.00
Samskui, "	+27.25	-5.00	17.60	16.70
Shaklung, East "	+15.15	-0.98	2.90	2.50

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day on late. on late.

Barometer	29.70	29.66	29.63
Temperature	87	80	84
Humidity	68	92	77
Wind Direction	ESE CALM NW	—	—
Wind Force	3	0	1
Weather	c om	o	o
Rain	0.75	0.00	0.03

TIDE TABLE.

18th to 24th, Aug. 1922.

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